BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268–0001

PERIODIC REPORTING
(PROPOSAL NINE)

Docket No. RM2017-13

USPS RESPONSE TO QUESTION 1
OF CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2
(October 26, 2017)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to Question 1 of

Chairman's Information Request No. 2, issued October 23. Each question is stated

verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. The Postal Service states that "[t]he corresponding mailcode for CCCS is assigned to the digitally sampled piece based on the values of the variables collected during ODIS-RPW digital testing." Responses to CHIR No. 1, question 1.a. Please describe, or provide a mapping of, how the values of the variables collected during ODIS-RPW digital testing are assigned to MAILCODE data in CCCS and provide the SAS program that will perform this task.

RESPONSE:

Attached electronically to this response are two files. The first is an Excel file containing

a flowchart that describes how the data obtained from ORPW-RPW are used to

generate the CCCS mailcodes. The second is a Word file with three sections.

- The first maps the ODIS-RPW variables to bucket numbers and bucket groups (an intermediate code used by both CCCS and RCCS), and is part of program ALD499.
- The second maps bucket numbers to CCCS mailcodes, including the splitting of the First-Class letter/card category into letters and cards, and is part of program DKEYB1
- The third, an input to program DKEYB1, provides the mapping from bucket number to CCCS mailcode.